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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT: ELKE HELFTENBEIN-1 (PCT)

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FOR: VESSEL FOR BLOOD SAMPLING

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ATTN: BOX FEE AMENDMENT
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Washington, D.C. 20231

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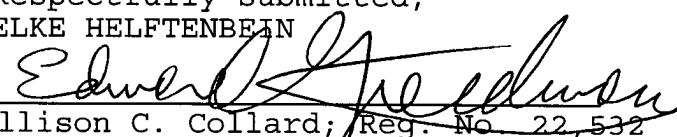
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